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Title: PARTIALLY RESORBABLE CONNECTIVE TISSUE DISTRACTION  
DEVICES AND TECHNIQUES

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed June 9, 2008, said period of response being extended from September 9, 2008 to December 9, 2008.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1778 the amount of \$1110.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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